



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
MISSISSIPPI AIR NATIONAL GUARD
HEADQUARTERS, 186TH AIR REFUELING WING (AMC)
MERIDIAN MISSISSIPPI


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MEMORANDUM FOR KEY FIELD ANGB EMPLOYEES

FROM: 186ARW/CC

SUBJECT: Environmental Policy Statement

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to reinforce the environmental policy for all personnel operating on Key Field Air National Guard Base (ANGB). This includes military and civilian personnel employed by the 186th Air Refueling Wing (186 ARW) or tenants and any contractors that perform work at the base. The primary mission of the 186 ARW is to provide air to air refueling support for current operational missions of the United States Air Force. The major support operations for this mission include aircraft maintenance, aerospace ground equipment maintenance, ground vehicle maintenance, and facility maintenance. In the performance of our mission, Key Field ANGB is committed to conducting its mission in an environmentally responsible manner that will protect human health, natural resources, and the environment. In doing so, we will comply with all environmental laws and regulations applicable to the conduct of our mission and strive for continual improvement in our environmental performance.
2. We have in the past, and will continue in the future, to pursue a course of responsible environmental stewardship. In support of our environmental policy, we will minimize environmental pollution and waste, and dispose of any remaining wastes in an environmentally responsible manner. In addition, we are committed to the restoration of the base. This involves our full support of the Environmental Restoration Program which is designed to identify, investigate and clean up past disposal/release sites that are causing environmental contamination. Our ultimate goals are to correct environment damage that may have resulted from past practices and to implement and enforce policies that will reduce the likelihood of future environmental damage.
3. Key Field ANGB is in the process of developing an Environmental Management System of which this policy is one component. We will set environmental goals, measure progress, take corrective actions when necessary, and communicate results and other environmental information regarding the installation's operations and its environmental accomplishments to both employees and the community through conduits such as the Community Relations Plan.
4. Compliance with this Environmental Policy is the responsibility of every member of Key Field ANGB in accordance with his or her role and responsibilities in the organization. Questions concerning environmental regulations or recommendations to improve the current environmental programs should be made to Maj Eric Bratu, 186 ARW/EM, at extension 49809.


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